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1. Construction of a large new factory is in process at Prakovce (N 48-49, E 20-54) in Slovakia. The type of production is not known. However, there are rumors that it will be a chemical plant named Novalky.¹
2. A new factory for the construction of jet planes is being built in Margecany (N 48-53, E 21-00) in Slovakia. The foundations were largely dug by forced labor. As many as 8,000 workers are presently employed at the site. In addition, a large airfield is being constructed in the vicinity of the factory, for which several villages had to be evacuated. The airfield is also being built by penal labor.²
3. The K. Y. Voroshilov Works (formerly Skoda Works) in Dubnica nad Vahom is now subordinate to the Ministry of National Defense. During the past year (1954-1955) this factory has been equipped with new machinery and installations,

The factory produces 300 tanks a month and exports the majority to China, North Korea, [redacted] An estimated 18,000 workers are employed there.

1. [redacted] Comment: Possibly garbled. The new plant could be a branch of the Novaky Chemical Works in Novaky (N 48-43, E 18-33).
2. [redacted] Comment: The construction of an airfield at Margecany seems unlikely, as the terrain is hilly.

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